(ङ)	पूर्ण होने की अनुमोदित तारीख	पूर्ण होने की अनुमानित तारीख
नीलम विकास	मार्च, 1994	जुलाई, 1994
एल–2	अप्रैल 1994	मई, 1994
एल–3	सितम्बर, 1994 (एस० एच० डब्ल्यू को छोड़कर) दिसम्बर, 1994 (एस० एच० डब्ल्यू सहित)	अप्रैल, 1994

नीलम विकास परियोजना में विलम्ब का कारण यह था कि संविदाकार एजेंसी समय पर पक्की वचनबद्धता नहीं दे सकी। अन्य परियोजनाओं में मामूली विलम्ब है जो तकनीकी कारणों से हुए।

Alleged fraud regarding payment to American Firm

4751. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM and NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any fraud or scandal regarding payments to American firm Western Service Ltd. was detected at ONGC Office of Madras recently ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ;

(c) what had been the amount paid to the firm;

(d) whether any tax at source has been deducted from the payment;

(e) whether the amount was later paid back to American firm ;

(f) whether any enquiry has since been ordered and whether any employees/officials have been suspended if so, details thereof ; and

(g) whether any organisation has demanded CBI enquiry into the whole episode ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On 2-12-1993, a cheque for Rs. 30,84,124/- was drawn in favour of M/s. Western Services International, USA. The attempt was detected timely and the cheque was cancelled.

(c) No amount has been paid.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

(f) and (g) A departmental enquiry was immediately ordered by ONGC and two officers were suspended on 7-12-1993 for negligence of duty. CBI, Madras has also registered a case in this regard.

Production and Import of Crude Oil in the country

4752. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI TRILOK NATH CHATURVEDI :

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR:

SHRI RAM JETHMALANI :

SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM and NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) what has been the production of crude oil in the country during the las; three years ;

(d) what has been the quantity of import of crude oil, petroleum, natural gas and petroleum products during the same period together with their rupee value ;

(c) whether Government have formu lated any policy for the increase of crude oil and petroleum production and if so, what are the details thereof ; and

(d) what is the present refining capa city available in the country and whether this can cope with the demand for the next five years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA) : (a) and (b) The details of indigenous production of crude oil and import of crude oil, natural gas and petroleum products during the last three years are given in the table below :—

	1991-92	1992-93*	1993-94*
1. Production of crude oil (MMT)	30.35	26.95	27.02
2. Import of crude oil			
(i) Qty. (MMT)	24.00	29 25	30 82
(ii) Value (Rs. Crores)	7820	10686	10689
3. Import of Natural Gas	Nil	Nil	Nil
4. Imports of Pol products :			
(i) Qty. (MMT)	9.45	11.28	12.08
(ii) Value (Rs./crores)	5218	6360	7041

*Provisional.

(c) Government have taken a number of steps to augment indigenous production of crude oil. These include development of new fields & additional development of certain existing fields and offering 6mall & medium sized fields for development by private/joint ventures. Likewise, efforts are being made to increase production of petroleum products by taking up expansion of existing refineries and by setting up of new grass root refineries.

(d) As against the present refining c?pa-city of 53.25 MMTPA the total refining capacity in the country as per Letters of Intent issued is expected to be around 119 MMTPA after all projects are implemented. This capacity would be sufficient to meet the projected demand from the year 2001-2002 which is estimated to be approximately 102 MMTPA.

देश में तेल और गैस के मूल्य

4753. श्री शिवचरण सिंह : क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बतानें की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या आज की स्थिति के अनुसार पूरे देश में तेल और गैस के मूल्य एक समान हैं और यदि नहीं हैं तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ख) देश के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में तेल और गैस के मूल्यों में भिन्नताओं के क्या-क्या आधार हैं ;

(ग) क्या यह सही है कि संपूर्ण विश्व में तेल सस्ता है जबकि हमारे देश में यह अधिक महंगा है ;

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण है ;

(ङ) अन्य तेल और गैस उत्पादक देशों की तुलना में तेल एवं प्राकृतिक गैस आयोग/सरकार द्वारा सेवाओं, उत्पादन और मजदूरी पर की गयी प्रशासनिक लागत कितनी है ; और

(च) क्या सरकार प्रशासनिक खर्चों को कम करने का विचार रखती है ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (कैप्टन सतीश शर्मा): (क) और (ख) स्वदेशी कच्चे तेल का मूल्य संपूर्ण देश में एक जैसा है। उत्तरी-पूर्वी राज्यों को छोड़कर जहां पर यह रु० 400/1000 एम3 की और कटौती संबंधी प्रावधान